

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,  
February 23, 1926.

An adjourned, regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, February 23, 1926, and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Deininger. The following Trustees were present: Brooks, Smith and Deininger. Absent: Fitzhugh and Torrence.

The reading of the minutes was postponed until the next regular meeting.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 130  
APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE ANNEXATION  
OF NORTHWEST TORRANCE

Trustee Smith moved that Ordinance No. 130 be adopted as read for its final reading and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Smith and Deininger.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: Fitzhugh and Torrence.

The Clerk read a letter from Trustee J. S. Torrence, same containing his resignation as Trustee of the City of Torrance.

Trustee Brooks moved that the resignation of Trustee Torrence be accepted with regrets. Trustee Smith seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The Clerk presented an Electrical Contractor's bond whose two sureties were unknown in this community and asked advise as to procedure.

Attorney Briney suggested that these two sureties be requested to appear before the Board and state in open meeting what property they own and give its description or present a financial statement.

Trustee Brooks moved that the bond be referred back to the applicant for completion, and, after a satisfactory financial statement has been filed with the Clerk, (satisfactory to the Clerk) the bond be accepted and a license issued.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion which was duly carried.

In the matter of the purchase of Lot 1, Block 15, Torrance Tract, President Deininger stated that escrow instructions had been submitted whereby the Seller was to pay his share of the expense, but that there was \$56.00 interest due on the property in April which the Seller expected the City to pay.

Trustee Smith moved that the President of the Board be authorized to sign the escrow instructions for the purchase of the lot in question, total consideration to be \$4056.00, and that warrants be drawn up to that amount as needed. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Smith and Deininger.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Fitzhugh.

Mrs. Henderson appeared before the Board asking for information as to what to expect in the future regarding set-back, etc. It seems that a waiver had been submitted for her signature, same agreeing to the issuance of a special permit for building operations in her block which she refused to sign until she had further information. As she owned other property in the City

she wanted some assurance that, in future, assent of other property owners be obtained before building operations begin; that she was told that two members of the Board had consented to the permit and that her signature was only a matter of form.

The Building Inspector stated that he called Mr. Smith who represents the owner of the building in question and told him that he could not lawfully do construction work until the written permission of Mrs. Henderson was obtained; that he had asked Mrs. Henderson if she wished to sign the waiver consenting to the proposed location of the building, but that she wished to appear before the Board first; that the Inspector had told Mr. Smith if he proceeded with the construction, it would be at his own risk.

Trustee Smith said that, as the Board was on record refusing a special permit until Mrs. Henderson's consent had been given, the Board should stand on it.

Trustee Brooks moved that the necessary legal steps be taken to see that the building complies with the building laws. Trustee Smith seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Smith and Deininger.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Fitzhugh.

Trustee Brooks moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Trustee Smith seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Smith and Deininger.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Fitzhugh.

Trustee Fitzhugh came in at 8:00 p.m. and Trustee Brooks was excused.

At 8:15 p.m. the meeting adjourned on motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Fitzhugh, and a majority vote.

A. H. Barrett  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved: A. J. Deininger  
President of the Board of Trustees  
of the City of Torrance.